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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Intelligence Advisory Committee
FROM : Chairman, Economic Intelligence Committee
SUBJECT : EIC Comment on IAC-D-81/10, 6 July 1955

1. The EIC has reviewed the unilaterally prepared SEC paper on the "Coordination of Guided Missiles Intelligence Activities" (IAC-D-81/10).

2. The production of intelligence on the Soviet guided missile program will require increasing emphasis on the economic aspects of these activities, which in turn will depend upon a broad and detailed knowledge of the Soviet industrial structure and of the large number of industries necessary to support the production of guided missiles. The EIC believes that, as the primary competence of the SEC is in the fields of scientific and technical intelligence, it would not be an appropriate body for the overall coordination of Soviet guided missiles intelligence including its economic aspects.^{1/}

3. Although the members of the EIC are not in agreement regarding the advisability of establishing at this time a committee for the overall coordination of the intelligence effort in the field

^{1/} The Department of State representative believes that, since the guided missiles intelligence problem is at present essentially a problem of scientific and technical intelligence, the SEC is at least for the time being the most appropriate body for the overall coordination of guided missiles intelligence, including the economic aspects.

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of Soviet guided missiles ^{1/}, the EIC believes that, if such a body were to be established, it should include adequate representation from the economic intelligence community.

/s/ OTTO E. GUTHE
Chairman

^{1/} The Army, Navy, Air Force, and JIG representatives believe that there is no requirement for the establishment of such a coordinating committee; the Department of State and CIA representatives hold the opposite view.

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